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BARRANQUILLA, BELEM, BOGOTA, BUENOS AIRES, LaPAZ, LIMA, PANAMA, RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTIAGO (Chile).

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Senator Bourke B. Hickenlooper (R., Iowa), member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, expects to depart the United States on July 28 for a trip to Latin America, where he will study the technical assistance program. The Senator is the ranking minority member of the Committee's Subcommittee on American Republic Affairs and the Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs. Mr. Pat Holt, Consultant, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, will depart the United States on July 24, visit Colombia, then join the Senator in Panama for the major part of the latter's trip.

Senator Hickenlooper request that the information covered in the attached "Outline for Post Summary" be prepared in advance of his and Mr. Holt's arrivals. He also requests that, where practicable, field trips be arranged to technical assistance projects, bilateral, multilateral or private. In Bolivia, the party has scheduled a trip to Santa Cruz. If possible, they would like to proceed from Santa Cruz to Cochabamba by automobile. In Chile, Mr. Holt is particularly anxious to see the Chilean area. In Brazil, USOM and the Embassy should plan a tour making the most effective use of time, with a minimum amount of time in Rio, and should forward the proposed schedule to Buenos Aires, in accordance with the itinerary which follows.

Besides Embassy/USOM briefings, appointments should be arranged, where practicable, with U.S. businessmen, news correspondents (if any), local officials and businessmen, and other individuals who can make a contribution to the objective of the trip.

At least 25 per cent of the time should be left free pending arrivals.

The above instructions apply particularly to Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Chile and Brazil. Panama is purely and Buenos Aires largely a transit stop. However, in Buenos Aires the party would like to take advantage of time for briefing on political-economic situation. The party recognizes the handicaps under which the Embassy will be operating during the visit to Peru. If, notwithstanding these handicaps, some arrangements, including at least the questionnaire information,

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can be made as described above, the party will be grateful.

Senator Hickenlooper and Mr. Holt have been authorized by their Committee Chairman to utilize local currencies in the Congressional Travel Account (Acct. No. 19FT561) to defray their official expenses. This account was established at the American Embassies in Argentina, Colombia, Chile and Peru last year, and the Department is attempting to obtain allotments from the Bureau of the Budget to establish an account in several other countries in which Public Law 480, the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, is in effect. It is, however, very doubtful that these allotments will be made before the arrival of this Congressional party in Bolivia; it is likely, however, that the account will be established in Brazil in sufficient time for this party's use.

Provisions of the Handbook for Congressional Foreign Travel apply. Meet on all arrivals, expedite customs clearances, arrange hotel reservations and local transportation, and assist as required. Please appoint a Control Officer at each post.

Itinerary

					Arrival	
					Hour	
<u>Mr. Holt:</u>						
	Hour of departure					
July 24	1000	Lv New York	Avianca #669	Ar	Barranquilla	1810
25	0800	Lv Barranquilla	" "	Ar	Bogota	0950
28	0810	Lv Bogota	" #746	Ar	Panama	1140
<u>Senator Hickenlooper:</u>						
July 28	1530	Lv Chicago	E-L #105	Ar	Miami	2025
28	2230	Lv Miami	PA #701	Ar	Panama, July 29,	0225
<u>Senator Hickenlooper &amp; Mr. Holt:</u>						
July 29	0315	Lv Panama	PA #701	Ar	Lima	0810
30	0930	Lv Lima	PG #725	Ar	Santa Cruz	1745
(Santa Cruz to Cochabamba by car, if possible)						
Aug. 3	0930	Lv Cochabamba	PG #724	Ar	La Paz	1055
<u>Mr. Holt:</u>						
Aug. 4	1055	Lv LaPaz	IAN #111	Ar	Santiago	1755
7	1520	Lv Santiago	PG #701	Ar	Buenos Aires	1850
<u>Senator Hickenlooper:</u>						
Aug. 7	1435	Lv LaPaz	PG #733	Ar	Buenos Aires	1855
<u>Senator Hickenlooper &amp; Mr. Holt:</u>						
Aug. 8	1645	Lv Buenos Aires	PA #202	Ar	Rio de Janeiro	2125
16	1000	Lv Rio	BNF #980	Ar	Washington, Aug. 17,	1215
<u>OR</u>						
Aug. 16	0530	Lv Balen	PA #274	Ar	New York	2230

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FOR USOMs FROM ICA:

ICA Mission Directors are requested to provide ICA// with the following types of information concerning the trip of Senator Hickenlooper and Mr. Holt:

- (1) the general reaction of the visitors to the operations of the Mission and the effectiveness of the program in meeting the mutual interests of the U.S. and the participating country;
- (2) the specific problems or projects in which the greatest interest was shown;
- (3) any projects considered by the Senator of doubtful value in accomplishing the purposes of the Mutual Security Act;
- (4) copies of materials which the Mission furnishes the Congressional visitors (including that prepared in response to the attached Post Summary);
- (5) anything else that in your judgment will be of assistance to ICA/W in assessing Congressional views on the Mutual Security Program.

Senator Hickenlooper is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee recently authorized by the Senate to investigate "the extent to which foreign assistance by the United States Government serves, can be made to serve, or does not serve, the national interest, to the end that such studies and recommendations based thereon may be available to the Senate in considering foreign aid policies for the future."

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Attachment:

Outline for Post Summary

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Attachment

OUTLINE FOR POST SUMMARY

(Please endeavor to limit comments to 10 single-spaced pages, maximum.)

- I. Brief statement of country's problems of economic development.
- II. Brief history of all U. S. aid programs (except military aid) in country since 1940. Estimate total dollar expenditures for such aid over that period, including if practicable cost of administration. Include year of beginning of T/A program and year-by-year estimates of U. S. expenditures for that purpose and year-by-year estimate level of personnel, broken down by U. S. and local employees. Turnover of U. S. personnel.
- III. Current U. S. aid program (fiscal '57 if available, otherwise fiscal '56).  
Outline program as follows:  
Technical Assistance  
Amount of U.S. dollar expenditures;  
Counterpart expenditures (in U.S. dollar equivalents);  
Other economic aid programs (list defense support, development assistance and show amount for each program broken down by grants and loans;  
Export-Import Bank loans (show total loans made, repayments, defaults (if any), and amount now outstanding. Describe briefly projects for which loans were made.)  
IBRD loans (show same data as for Export-Import Bank).
- IV. Types of projects to which U. S. is currently contributing T/A or development aid (i.e., Health and Sanitation, mining, education, etc.) with indication of relative importance of each.
- V. List of major developmental or T/A projects (no more than 10) in country with brief description of each.
- VI. Trainee and other technical exchange of persons under aid programs. For most recent year available, give following information:  
  
Number and principal types of exchanges, showing locals going out of country; U. S. nationals coming in. Estimated cost of program, dollar and counterpart expenditures (in U.S. dollar equivalents). Evidence of contributions of exchangees on return to development of country.

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VII. Private contracts under aid program.

List all contracts with private U. S. firms for carrying out T/A and other U. S. aid programs. Include the name of contractor, amount of contract, estimate of number of Americans and locals employed under contract and the general purpose of the contract.

Summarize contractual arrangements with non-U.S. contractors, if any.

VIII. Organization for technical and other economic aid.

A short summary showing organization within Embassy for handling aid programs, relationship of Embassy and Washington on planning program and clearing projects and relationship with local government for same purpose.

IX. Efforts of local government in economic development.

Extent of annual expenditures (in dollar equivalents) for development purposes, organization within local government for receiving U. S. aid and in carrying out projects. Indicate nature of official plans for development, if any.

X. Other aid programs in the country.

Summarize briefly T/A activities of U. N. and related agencies, OAS, and of private foundations or similar organizations.

XI. Private foreign investment in the country.

Major U. S. business interests.  
Other foreign business interests.  
Recent rate of foreign investment.  
Principal problems of foreign, especially U. S., business, and principal obstacles to new investment.

XII. Soviet or satellite economic activity.

XIII. Miscellaneous observations and remarks.

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